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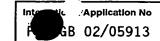
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according to Article 18. A copy is being tra	n prepared by this International Searching Au ansmitted to the International Bureau.	uthority and is transmitted to the applicant
This International Search Report consists	of a total of sheets.	
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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
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#### **B. FIELDS SEARCHED**

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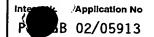
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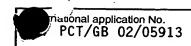
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Although claims 10-13 are directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.

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Rule 39.1(iv) PCT - Method for treatment of the human or animal body by therapy





Box I	Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet)
This Inte	ernational Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:
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2.	Claims Nos.: because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:
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This Inte	rnational Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:
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2.	As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
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4.	No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:
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